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## BILLS OF LADING

(See under MARITIME MATTERS)

## BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS

(See also GAS WARFARE)

Convention on the prohibition of the development, production and stockpiling of bacteriological (biological) and toxin weapons and on their destruction. Done at Washington, London and Moscow April 10, 1972; entered into force March 26, 1975.

26 UST 583; TIAS 8062; 1015 UNTS 163.

Parties:

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Algeria  
Antigua & Barbuda  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Australia  
Austria<sup>1</sup>  
Azerbaijan  
Bahamas  
Bahrain<sup>1</sup>  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Belarus  
Belgium  
Belize  
Benin  
Bhutan  
Bolivia  
Bosnia-Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Brunei<sup>2</sup>  
Bulgaria  
Burkina Faso  
Cambodia  
Canada  
Cape Verde  
Chile  
China<sup>3 4 5</sup>  
Colombia  
Congo  
Congo, Dem. Rep.  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Cuba  
Cyprus  
Czech Rep.  
Denmark  
Dominica<sup>2</sup>  
Dominican Rep.  
Ecuador  
El Salvador  
Equatorial Guinea  
Estonia  
Ethiopia<sup>6</sup>  
Fiji

Finland  
France  
Gambia  
Georgia  
German Dem. Rep.<sup>7</sup>  
Germany, Fed. Rep.<sup>7</sup>  
Ghana  
Greece  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guinea-Bissau  
Holy See<sup>4</sup>  
Honduras  
Hungary  
Iceland  
India<sup>4</sup>  
Indonesia  
Iran  
Iraq  
Ireland  
Italy  
Jamaica  
Japan  
Jordan  
Kenya  
Korea, Dem. People's Rep.  
Korea, Rep.  
Kuwait<sup>4</sup>  
Laos  
Latvia  
Lebanon  
Lesotho  
Libya  
Liechtenstein  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Macedonia  
Malaysia<sup>1</sup>  
Maldives  
Mali  
Malta  
Mauritius  
Mexico  
Monaco  
Mongolia  
Morocco  
Netherlands<sup>8</sup>  
New Zealand  
Nicaragua  
Niger  
Nigeria  
Norway  
Oman  
Pakistan  
Panama  
Papua New Guinea  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Qatar  
Romania  
Russian Fed.  
Rwanda  
St. Kitts & Nevis  
St. Lucia  
St. Vincent & the Grenadines  
San Marino  
Sao Tome & Principe  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
Singapore

Slovak Rep.  
Slovenia  
Solomon Is.<sup>2</sup>  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
Sudan  
Suriname  
Swaziland  
Sweden  
Switzerland<sup>4</sup>  
Thailand  
Togo  
Tonga  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
Turkmenistan  
Uganda  
Ukraine  
Union of Soviet Socialist Reps.<sup>9</sup>  
United Kingdom<sup>10</sup>  
United States  
Uruguay  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Venezuela  
Vietnam, Socialist Rep.  
Yemen (Aden)<sup>11</sup>  
Yugoslavia<sup>12</sup>  
Zimbabwe

### NOTES:

<sup>1</sup> With reservation.

<sup>2</sup> See under country heading in the bilateral section for information concerning acceptance of treaty obligations.

<sup>3</sup> The Taiwan authorities have also adhered to this convention. See note under CHINA (Taiwan) in bilateral section.

<sup>4</sup> With statement.

<sup>5</sup> Applicable to Hong Kong and Macao. See note under CHINA in bilateral section.

<sup>6</sup> See note under ETHIOPIA in bilateral section.

<sup>7</sup> See note under GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF in bilateral section.

<sup>8</sup> Applicable to Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

<sup>9</sup> See note under UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS in bilateral section.

<sup>10</sup> Extended to territories under the territorial sovereignty of the United Kingdom. Also extended to New Hebrides; continued application to Vanuatu not determined.

<sup>11</sup> See note under YEMEN in bilateral section.

<sup>12</sup> See note under YUGOSLAVIA in bilateral section.

## BRIBERY

Convention on combating bribery of foreign public officials in international business transactions, with annex. Done at Paris December 17, 1997; entered into force February 15, 1999. TIAS

Parties:

Argentina  
Australia  
Austria  
Belgium  
Brazil

**BRIBERY (Cont'd)**

Bulgaria  
Canada  
Chile  
Czech Rep.  
Denmark  
Finland  
France

Germany  
Greece  
Hungary  
Iceland  
Italy  
Japan  
Korea  
Luxembourg  
Mexico  
Netherlands  
New Zealand

Norway  
Poland  
Portugal  
Slovak Rep.  
Slovenia  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Turkey  
United Kingdom  
United States